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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1200 UTC Thursday 05 May to 1200 UTC Friday 06 May 2011

General Situation

An area of low pressure over the Atlantic will gradually spread more unsettled conditions eastwards across the United Kingdom during the next few days.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in north.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth in Moray Firth.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast 4 or 5, decreasing 3 or 4 for a time.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth in Moray Firth.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor in east.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed

24 hour forecast:

South or southeast 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast 4 or 5, decreasing 3 or 4 for a time.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

South or southeast 4 or 5.

Slight, occasionally moderate later.

Showers for a time.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast 4 or 5, decreasing 3 or 4 for a time.

Slight or moderate.

Showers later.

Good, occasionally moderate or poor later.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

South or southeast 4 or 5.

Slight.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.

Slight.

Showers later.

Moderate or good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:
Southeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in north.
Slight.
Fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
East or southeast 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.
Smooth or slight.
Mainly fair.
Moderate or good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill
24 hour forecast:
Variable mainly east or southeast 3 or 4.
Slight.
Fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Easterly or southeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in east.
Smooth or slight.
Thundery showers later.
Good, occasionally moderate later.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis
24 hour forecast:
East or southeast 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times.
Mainly slight.
Mainly fair.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
East or southeast 3 or 4.
Mainly slight.
Thundery showers.
Moderate or good.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southerly or southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in west.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in far west.
Showers for a time, mainly in west.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southerly or southeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first in west.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in far west.
Rain or thundery showers, fog patches later.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor later.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southerly or southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in west.
Slight east of swansea to lynmouth, mainly moderate to west.
Showers for a time, mainly in west.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor in west.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southerly or southeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in west.
Slight east of swansea to lynmouth, mainly moderate to west.
Rain or thundery showers, fog patches later.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor later.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in west.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers, mainly in west.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor in west.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast 4 or 5, decreasing 3 at times later.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or thundery showers, fog patches later.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor later.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in west.

Slight, occasionally moderate, but smooth at times in Liverpool Bay.

Rain or thundery showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times.

Slight, occasionally moderate, but smooth at times in Liverpool Bay.

Rain or thundery showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southeast 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast 4 or 5.

Mainly moderate.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in east at first.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.

Slight, occasionally moderate in North Channel.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.

Slight, occasionally moderate south of Arran.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in west, increasing 7 for a time in northwest later.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in west and south.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Easterly or southeasterly 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 later.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate south of skye.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in south.

Smooth or slight north and east of skye, slight or moderate to south and west.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Easterly or southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in south throughout, and in north later.

Slight or moderate in south, smooth or slight in north.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.

Smooth or slight near Sutherland, otherwise slight or moderate.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland

Valid Thursday 05 May 2011 at 1200 UTC until Friday 06 May 2011 at 0000 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

The southeasterly airflow across Shetland will strengthen as an Atlantic low drifts towards the UK and pushes fronts northeast across Scotland.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil.

Southeast 2 or 3 in east at first, otherwise 4 or 5, increasing 6 in west.

Slight becoming moderate.

Rain later.

Good occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0000 UTC on Friday 06 May until 1200 UTC on Friday 06 May:

Southeast 5 or 6, increasing 7 in west.

Moderate becoming rough in west later.

Rain.

Moderate occasionally poor.

Channel Islands

24 hour forecast:

Mainly south to southeast 2 to 4, locally variable with sea breezes.

Slight.

Fair, risk of thundery showers in the west.

Moderate to good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South to southeast 3 to 4, increasing 4 perhaps 5 overnight.

Slight with a low swell.

Fair scattered thundery showers developing.

Mainly moderate to good.

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